

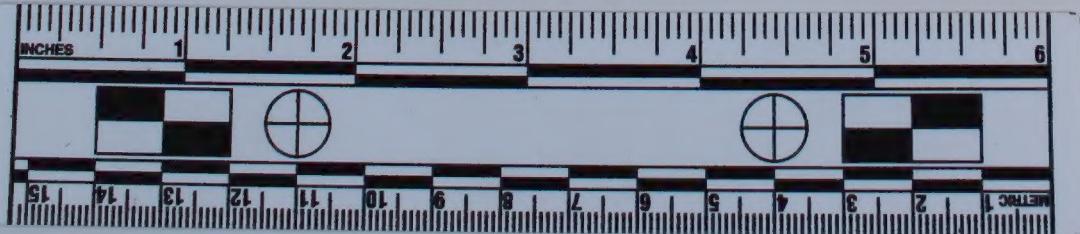
My Dear Edith.

Yours received some days ago but have not had time to answer earlier. Uncle Elias is very very low and cannot last much longer. They came for us saturday at midnight. He said he couldnt last till morning but today and yesterday he seems a little brighter but its being to bright up now. Aunt Millie is staying with them and I am in P.O. Nettie comes up nearly every day and keeps house for us so Martha can be with Aunt to help them. Will let you know should anything serious happen. Poor fellow don't want to die. He had counted so much on going south this fall. So many people come to see him. Bring him flowers and he just unsays them.

Has been out of his mind a few times but shot hard to manage.

Just in his talk

This knocks my leaving here for a while and also disappointed but stay all till we move. I ought to wait until fall and when it is cooler. Expect to draw wages while



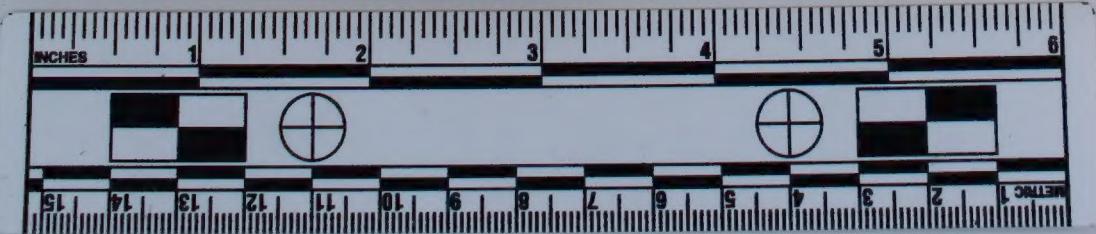
I am in P.O. and let I salt it down
for fall.

Ye Kettie lives in the old brick
and Walter fixes it up to Has
made a big change in it already
Joe was down a week ago saturday,
and Sunday Walter took all out
pictures downe on their porch.

Joe and I had one taken that will
be awful. He had long rain coat
w. a little cap a sword and a pipe.
I had big straw hat with red calico
crown and big red stripes a cane
with a bow of ribbon on. We were
on one knee, cap in hand and
looking up at me. and I was
laughing over and tickling him
under the chin had about 1/2 taken.
As soon as Walter finishes there I

will try and send you a few

Can't very near getting my foot in
it that day for had a date for
the writing with my true
dear and at #6 didn't a dandy



young man I have been corresponding
with come from Alliance. Had
to tell him I had a date and he
had to put in the night at the
hotel. Think I made him angry
for I have not heard from him
since. Well Peck "my man's next man"
came about 7:31 and about 7:45
got a telephone message from
Schaefer of Pitts he would be
out on # 405. Son made him
change his plans but he was
not angry. Said he would come
again. Edith I never thought of
Clarice now. He has been very
poorly bed fast for two weeks but
it some better now.

Goes with Maud Smith of town.
Nettles baby is doing fine now.
Gained 3 lbs in two weeks.
Weighs $12\frac{1}{2}$ lbs, and over three
months old.

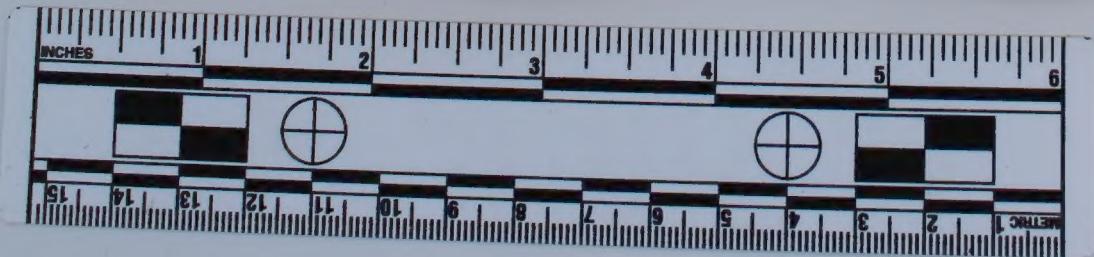
Eva Phipps tells me all the
news from Pitts but there ain't



much doing just now I guess
Barice Kolmeyer and one of our neighbors
both have quit a case on
so has Eva and her man a
Carl Meade He is one of our town
boys but works for S. S. in Pitts
and while I was there I went to
see him and took Eva Since then
they have been thicker than molasses
in winter, and you know that
is saying pretty much.

Mother said all and love and
want to know when you are
coming back here Wish you could
come said them I would go back
with you Can imagine the good
times we would have
I would dance my little bear dance
and you could play monkey
as you used to do

Now desire do write to me soon
a long, long letter at once.
Well send you a card often letting
you know about Uncle Forget to tell



you they have a nurse at night too
Him. Carrie MacLean of course.
Her brother very low and she
can not come for the day time.

Sweet girl but all nurses are
sweet, but none can come up to
my Edith

With bushels of love and kisses
Diana as ever yours

Maudette J. Alaback

P.S. Received a letter the other day and
will send it tomorrow for you to read and
return. Never saw the Gap but once,
and that was while waiting on him at
window. Had been reading letter and laid
envelope down and he saw the address.
Ollie sends love by the car load.

One Valentine Bl.

Jew 14 '04.

